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## NLRB NEW ORLEANS, LA REGIONAL OFFICE TEMPORARILY CLOSED DUE TO HURRICANE GUSTAV

National Labor Relations Board General Counsel Ronald Meisburg announced today that the Board's New Orleans, LA Regional Office (Region 15) has temporarily closed due to the mandatory evacuation of New Orleans resulting from Hurricane Gustav. It is hoped that the New Orleans Regional Office will be able to reopen by the end of the week.

General Counsel Meisburg advised that employers, unions and individuals served by the New Orleans Regional Office should call the Board's Memphis, TN Regional Office (Region 26) to seek telephonic assistance or mail charges, petitions or other documents to the Memphis Office while the New Orleans Office is temporarily closed. The Memphis Regional Office is located at The Brinkley Plaza Building, Suite 350, 80 Monroe Avenue, Memphis, TN 38103-2416; the telephone number is (901) 544-0018; and the fax number is (901) 544-0008. During the coming week, the staff of the New Orleans and Memphis Regional Offices will be contacting parties with respect to status of any hearings or elections that are currently scheduled to be held next week.

The Board and the General Counsel expressed their pleasure that the staff of the New Orleans office were all safe and that the damage from Hurricane Gustav had not been as extensive as predicted.

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